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GW SETS NEW FAMILY PRACTICE PROGRAM

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has awarded George Washington University Medical Center a $600,000 grant to develop a program in family health.

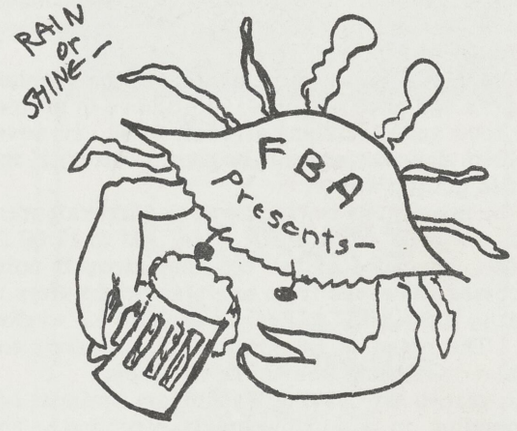
The three-year grant funds the development of a training program that will educate physicians, physicians' assistants, nurses and other health professionals in primary health team services. Training in prepaid and fee-for-service patients will include University Hospital, inner city urban, suburban, and rural clinical settings.

Dr. David E. Rogers, President of the Johnson Foundation, said in awarding the grant, "George Washington University School of Medicine has made impressive progress in building education, research and service in ambulatory practice and primary care into a central institutional mission. We are thus pleased to contribute to the required funding."

In this new program, postgraduate training will be provided leading to the certification of physicians by the American Board of Family Practice. A three-year residency program will concentrate on experience in inpatient medicine, obstetrics, pediatrics, psychiatry, and emergency care. Residents will work in community hospitals and in rural, urban, and suburban settings, all of which will focus on the team approach in the delivery of family health care.

The first year of the project will be devoted to planning a multi-disciplinary teaching effort in the Medical Center and its affiliates. Several vital new affiliations will be developed during the planning year. Dr. Thomas E. Piemme, Director of GW's Division of General Medicine of the Department of Medicine, is the Project Director.

In recent years, George Washington University Medical Center has restructured the educational and service programs of outpatient and emergency care. Among its other community-related services have been the establishment of the GWU Health Plan, a 5,000-member health maintenance organization; a drug dependence unit for young multiple drug abusers; a new home health service for patients with chronic illness; and a Physicians' Assistant Program with 30 students working toward a bachelor's degree in allied health. In each of the above, teaching and service have been combined in the primary care team approach.



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A goal of 100,000 "re-cycled" books has been set for this year, with profits used for the Association's scholarship fund for children of foreign service personnel, and for children in need of special education. If you have any donations, please telephone 942-2960, or 362-3895, and they will be picked up promptly.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

June 7, 1973

Alexander P. Butterfield, Administrator
Federal Aviation Administration
800 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20591

Dear Mr. Butterfield:

The Foggy Bottom Citizens Association asks your assistance in eliminating the loud and vibrating aircraft noise from our area. Foggy Bottom is located in the area bounded by 23d Street to the Potomac River and M Street to E Street, N.W.

Up to now we have been tolerant of the problems in this area and have not joined with others in protesting the loud and disturbing aircraft noise. However, the problem does not seem to be getting better; if anything, it is getting worse.

To be specific as we can, departing aircraft create noise in the area from about 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM every day. Because of the constant aircraft noise, which comes in waves from one plane right after the other, it is impossible to hear, even with all windows closed. The noise is interruptive of all indoor conversations or viewing television, or sleep.

The planes are leaving Washington National Airport traveling in a northwesterly direction. They do not follow the river; they are further north. It is difficult at that time of night to determine what type aircraft or what airline is involved. The same thing happens around 8:00 AM although not as steady.

The planes coming into Washington National Airport through this area do more or less follow the river and the lack of noise is very noticeable. In fact, one can look out the window, see the aircraft, and hardly hear it. If we could accomplish this same thing with the departing aircraft, the noise environmental problem would be solved.

We have tried calling Washington National Airport when the noise is intolerable, but it is very unsatisfactory to get a guard who takes the information down in a very laborious manner and says he will pass it on. This seems to be quite unresponsive.

We do hope that you can help us.

Sincerely,

Dennis Williams, President
Foggy Bottom Association

Mr. Dennis Williams, President
Foggy Bottom Citizens Association
West End Branch Public Library
24th & L Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Mr. Williams:

Your letter of June 7, 1973, to the Administrator has been referred to me for reply.

Our noise abatement procedures for aircraft departing to the northwest direct that they follow the river; however, it becomes a difficult job for the pilot, at times, to follow the bends of the river because of the nose-high attitude of the aircraft when climbing. We monitor departures on new and sophisticated radar and find that the majority of the flights stay in the pattern as prescribed.

There are times when the air is very dense and, though it appears as though the weather is clear from the view of a person on the ground, the haze at flight altitude makes visibility poor. Also, during these near smog days, sound seems to reverberate and encompasses a greater area. As you know, warm, moist air is a greater conductor of sound than dry air.

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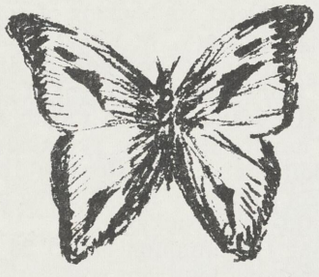
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The climb-out procedures as now set require that aircraft climb to 1500 feet, or a 3-mile point from the field, at takeoff power. From the 3-mile marker, or 1500 feet, to the 10-mile marker, or 6,000 feet, whichever is first, the power is reduced to an optimum climb rate which will afford continued climb.

We have a continuing program for noise abatement in which we accept calls from the public, record them, and plot them on a chart in order that we may be able to keep track of congested areas. This has helped in the past, and I am sure it will help in the future to eliminate the problem in particularly noisy areas around the airport.

Sincerely,

R. Dan Mahaney
Manager
National Capital Airports



HEALTH TIPS

If the idea of carrying on a conversation with your body seems a bit ridiculous, think it over for a minute. You'll discover your body does a lot of talking every day. It tells you you're hungry. It lets you know you need water. And, it may warn you a stroke is on the way, if you know how to interpret what it's telling you. Unfortunately, as serious as strokes are, they remain a mystery to most people. To find out more about the warning signs of stroke, call the Washington Heart Association and ask for the booklet, "Body Language."

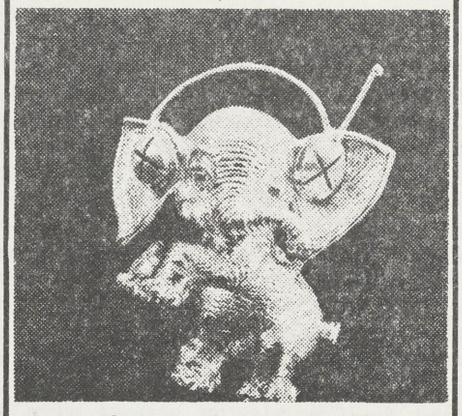
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Studies have shown that when a person is walking, about 30 percent of the circulation of the blood is carried on by the leg muscles and the remaining percent by the heart. For more information about the advantages of exercise, call the Washington Heart Association and ask for the booklet, "Physical Exercise".

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Hypertension is the medical term for high blood pressure. But whatever you call it, hypertension means extra work for the heart and an increased risk of heart attack. The Washington Heart Association says, see your doctor regularly. He can diagnose hypertension and treat it effectively. For more information, ask the Heart Association for the leaflet, "Your Blood Pressure."

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1972: A YEAR OF MAJOR CHANGE FOR ZONING COMMISSION AND BZA

The D.C. Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Adjustment went through a period of major transition during the first eight months of 1972. The last four months of the year were spent on an intensive effort to reduce the backlog of regular business which developed during the transition period. The transition came about as a result of two court decisions resulting from Zoning Commission cases.

The first ruling, involving an application for a planned unit development at Potomac and Pennsylvania Avenues, S.E., stipulated that the Zoning Commission was required to follow the contested case provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act in certain zoning proceedings.

Among the Commission actions were its first emergency orders issued without notice or hearing. In the Georgetown waterfront area, R-4 residential zoning was imposed for 120 days after citizens protested proposed development permitted under existing zoning. The temporary order was lifted, and the Commission voted to develop a new waterfront zoning category appropriate for the special characteristics of waterfront areas.

In the second case, the Redevelopment Land Agency asked the Commission to rezone the Mount Vernon East area, in the northeast corner of the downtown urban renewal area in accordance with the urban rerenewal plan. Under the plan the area had been designated for high-rise residential development to create a 24-hour community close to the downtown area.

Following its emergency action, the Commission rezoned the Mount Vernon East area for residential use, and revised a zoning category for adjacent areas and other areas of the city to permit residential development with optional commercial and office use on the first two floors, depending upon market conditions. This provision for mixed compatible land uses has become increasingly popular with developers in recent years.

The Commission also revised regulations relating to personal care homes for small numbers of convalescents and to parking. Another major action, approved by the Commission in January 1973, will permit the construction of mass transit facilities as a matter of right as long as they have been approved in detail by the D.C. City Council.

The staff serving the Commission and the BZA was expanded during the year. Major staff reports and two proposed policy statements relating to long-range zoning modifications and possible legislation to support them, as well as 18 staff reports concerning proposed specific zoning map changes.

The second ruling, involving an application to rezone property at Calvert Street and Wisconsin Ave., N.W. from single family home to apartment classification, required that a quorum of the Zoning Commission be present at public hearings.

Previously, a hearing officer had presided at such hearings and had summarized his findings for the Commission. The ruling was based upon an interpretation of the 1938 zoning law for the District and a zoning action that took place before the D.C. Government reorganization. The approval of the zoning map change had been the last act of the previous zoning commission.

The effect of the two decisions was to halt, in early March, all Zoning Commission action until new rules and regulations could be passed.

In addition, cases already heard were delayed until new hearings could be held by the Commission. The court decisions were construed as applying to the Board of Zoning Adjustment as well.

The Commission adopted new rules and regulations for the BZA at the beginning of July and for itself the latter part of that month.

Following these actions, both bodies scheduled extra and longer hearings to reduce the backlog which had developed while the new rules and regulations were being drafted.

Faced with a backlog of some 200 cases and a new procedure which permitted parties to cross examine each other and thus lengthening the required hearing time, the BZA began holding 12-hour hearings in September.

The BZA reduced its backlog of some 200 cases steadily through January, at which point the backlog was virtually eliminated and new applications were being heard. More than 80 percent of cases heard in marathon public hearings each month also were decided in that month while the remainder were postponed until additional information could be made available. The BZA currently is exploring means of preventing the build-up of backlogs.

The Zoning Commission heard 28 cases during the year, 20 originating from applications by private developers or other agencies and the rest originated by the Commission itself. Of these, 8 were approved, 8 denied, one was withdrawn and 11 are still pending.

An additional 21 cases, which were pending prior to March and which will require rehearing before the Commission, also are pending. The Commission hopes to eliminate the backlog this spring.

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Mrs. Taylor was born Mary Alice Drane on her father's plantation in Montgomery County, Mississippi. She was educated at Blue Mountain College, in Blue Mountain, Mississippi. Here she majored in music and after graduation taught organ and piano lessons in the Jackson, Mississippi, Institute for the Blind.

Later she was offered a position in Gulfport, Mississippi. While traveling by train to Gulfport for a visit with her married cousin and to make final arrangements for teaching there, a handsome man seated across the aisle tried to engage her in conversation. Being a properly brought up young lady, she ignored his overtures.

Upon arrival in Gulfport, the "daring young man" was surprised to see that the couple who met her at the train were his own law partner and wife! He seized this opportunity to be properly introduced to Miss Drane, and was invited to dinner the next evening.

The gentleman turned out to be James Lawrence Taylor, a prominent lawyer, and the most eligible young widower in Gulfport. Miss Mary Alice Drane did not fulfill her teaching contract! After a courtship of six weeks she and Mr. Taylor were married.

Mrs. Taylor enjoyed a long, happy life with Mr. Taylor. She reared her four small step-children along with her own daughter by this marriage. In addition, she brought into the household a bereft sister with two young children. They all grew up together as one happy family in their big house in Gulfport.

Mr. Taylor died in 1942 but it was not until 1956 that Mrs. Taylor came to Washington to live with her daughter, Susan Alice Taylor. She and her daughter are among the original owners now living in Potomac Plaza and Mrs. Taylor speaks of their apartment as home, but she will point with pride to an oil painting of her old home in Gulfport, and then tell you with a note of sadness that the house was swept away by hurricane Camille.

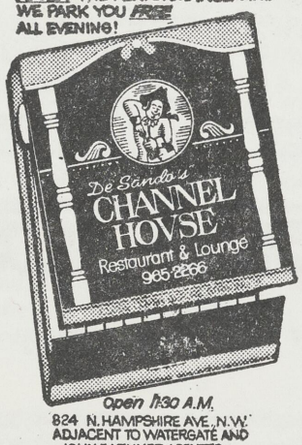
Mrs. Taylor possesses fairly good health, and in spite of a hip broken several years ago, she is able to take little walks with Susan when the weather permits. She enjoys coming out into the lobby where she can visit with her friends who pass through, and almost every afternoon she has a long drive with her daughter.

Wearing a crown of soft white hair, Mrs. Taylor is a lady of rank! She was invited, and joined, the Colonial Order of the Crown as a lineal descendent of Charlemagne. She is a member of several other patriotic organizations — the United Daughters of the Confederacy, of course, the DAR, the Colonial Dames, the McGregor Clan, and the Plantagenet Society. So, you see, as a younger woman, Mrs. Taylor led a very active life.

And now, Mrs. Taylor, the residents of Potomac Plaza and Foggy Bottom salute you and wish you health and happiness!

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BLACK CAUCUS DINNER PLANNED

It has come to the attention of the Congressional Black Caucus that many of those individuals and organizations that have supported the Caucus in the past are looking forward to our Annual Congressional Black Caucus Dinner this summer. This event proved a great success in the past, and we greatly appreciated your support.

This year the members of the Caucus have decided to hold this event September 29th. There are two primary reasons for this decision. One reason is that June, the month in which the Congressional Black Caucus' Annual Dinner has been held in the past, is traditionally one of the busiest months here on Capitol Hill. The other reason centers on the particular challenges facing the caucus this year.

Proposed Administration budget cuts have seriously threatened programs that promote the welfare of black people. Some members of the Caucus will be continuing hearings in their districts on the effects of the proposed cuts. On April 11th a federal judge ordered the Nixon Administration to cease dismantling the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), an agency specifically created and funded by Congress. Despite this order, it appears that OEO director Howard Phillips will continue his demolition of the agency. The Caucus is determined that this agency not be killed by executive action.

The members of the Caucus feel that legislative matters must take priority in the coming months. The House of Representatives has yet to act on important legislation in the areas of education, health insurance, minimum wages, manpower, and housing and community development. Legislation authorizing the major education and manpower programs already in existence is due to expire June 30th.

In order to devote our complete energies to the tasks we have mentioned, we believe that the Annual Dinner would best be held later in the year. It will be helpful if you will make your dinner reservations early.

We know we have your support in the upcoming struggles and will look forward to seeing you on Saturday, September 29th.

For reservations and information contact: The Black Caucus Dinner Committee, c/o Ro-Deek Enterprises, Inc., 1650 Broadway, New York City 10019. Telephone: 212/586-7424.

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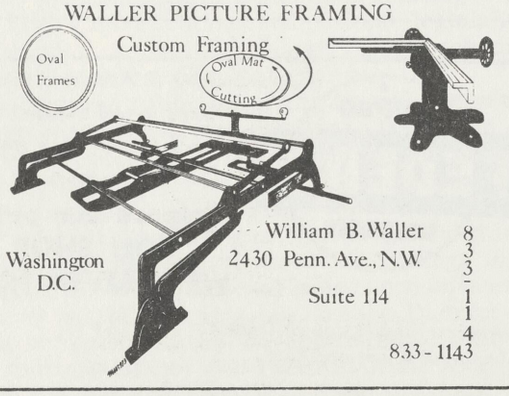
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FOGGY DOINGS

As promised, a little more information on Fathers Jiminez and Jacobs, the new assistants at St. Stephen Martyr Church. Rev. ARMANDO JIMINEZ is a native of Cuba and most recently was assigned to St. Matthew's Cathedral. He has instituted services in Spanish each week, and St. Stephen's has installed a special phone number for Spanish-speaking parishioners to use in reaching him. Rev. HARRY JACOBS comes to St. Stephen's immediately after ordination, after an interesting other career. He attended Georgetown University School of Foreign Service and its Law School, served in the Air Force, and then joined the U.S. State Department. Among his assignments were as assistant press officer in Washington, Vice Consul in Milan, Italy, and Second Secretary at the Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan. We bid them both a big Foggy Bottom welcome.

FOGGY BOTTOM FLOWER POWER: June and July were a season which showed off the efforts of FB gardeners to a splendid advantage. We hope you observed the efforts of the gentlemen near the corner of 25th & Pennsylvania, who seem to have a magic hand with white petunias in an array of window boxes. A real treat to the eye!

New Hampshire Avenue has its share of green thumbs, with one yard a mass of zinnias, and the next filled with sunflowers. My "informant" indicates sunflowers attract birds; does this resident have two purposes in mind? Near by, next to the Jefferson House, a diligent couple have turned a fairly small front yard into a pretty and practical garden. Zinnias abound as well as other flowers, and toward the back a healthy group of tomato plants and three kinds of lettuce.

There is a tiny flower which the writer has seen for the first time this year, and hopefully it will be seen often. It is the Portulaca, a bright-faced little blossom which comes in a variety of colors. You can see them on Eye Street in front of Rufus Lisle's (who, incidentally has a back yard full of color), and in a little plot on Virginia Avenue a few doors up from our good FB friend, Top Value Liquors. The Virginia Avenue gardener has at least ten shades of this lovely flower in a postabe stamp sized lot, and it is a joy to behold.

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All our best wishes for a full and speedy recovery of Eye Street's BOB JONES, who suffered a slight stroke in early July. As this is written, he is in George Washington Hospital and hopefully will improve as each day passes. Bob is a long-time resident, lives with his tiny aunt, Miss Esther, and is with the Census Bureau.

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11th Annual Shakespeare Summer Festival, "Othello," with Robert Guillaume and Cara Duff-MacCormick, presented in cooperation with the D.C. Dept. of Recreation and the National Park Service; Sylvan Theatre, Washington Monument Grounds, July 11 - August 12, Tues. thru Sun. at 8:30 PM. Admission Free.

State and County Fairs, Hagerstown Fair, Aug. 6-11. Maryland State Fair at Timonium, Md., Aug. 27-Sept. 5. For other Maryland Fairs call (301) 267-5517. For Virginia Fairs call 293-5350.

Shady Grove Music Fair, Gaithersburg, Md. For information call 948-3400.
Annie Get Your Gun with Barbara Eden July 31-Aug. 5
A Concert on Ice with Peggy Fleming, Aug. 7-12
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Professional Football Exhibition Games: D.C. Stadium at 8 PM. For ticket information call 546-2222.
Redskins/Detroit Lions - Aug. 3
Redskins/Denver Broncos - Aug. 10
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CHILDREN

Selections from Grimm's Fairy Tales, Washington Theatre Club's Children's Touring Company; Baird Aud., Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, Aug. 8 PM. For ticket information call 381-5157.

My Emperor's New Clothes, musical by Hans Christian Andersen, Harlequin Dinner Theatre, Southlawn & Gude Dr., Rockville, Md. thru Aug. 9, Wed & Sat. at 11 AM for ticket information call 340-8515.

Young People's Theatre, sponsored by D.C. Dept. of Recreation will present the children's plays, "Sock Soup," "The Rabbit Who Refused to Run," and "The Lion and the Mouse". In repertory. For information call 232-4258.
Aug. 1,3 - Garfield Playground, 2 PM.
Aug. 6,8,10 - Kalorama Playground, 10 AM
Aug. 14-16 - Oxon Run, 2 PM
Aug. 21,23 - Trinidad Rec. Center, 1 PM
Aug. 27 - Takoma Rec. Center, 2 PM

Mobile Recreation: **Several Mobile Recreation units will be operated this summer by the D.C. Dept. of Recreation, including the Showmobile, Craftmobile, Puppets with a Purpose, Rolling Caravan, and the Skatemobile. For information and scheduling call 829-7050 or 629-7226.**

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Applications will be issued upon request from Ms. Threatt at 833-8093 or 333-6677. For additional information, don't hesitate to contact Christ Church or Ms. Threatt at the above stated numbers. The classes are held to a minimum of students and due to fact that each student is instructed on a individual basis, he can begin classes at anytime. Ms. Threatt also teaches adults in the evening.

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